

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U338E) for Authority to Increase its Authorized Revenues for Electric Service in 2018, among other things, and to Reflect that increase in Rates.

Application 16-09-001 (Filed September 1, 2016)

E-MAIL RULING GRANTING PARTY STATUS TO SMALL BUSINESS UTILITY ADVOCATES

Dated October 17, 2016, at San Francisco, California.

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Stephen C. Roscow
Administrative Law Judge

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Subject: A.16-09-001: E-Mail Ruling granting Party status to Small Business Utility Advocates

To all parties on the A.16-09-001 and A.13-11-003 Service Lists:

This E-Mail Ruling grants Party status to Small Business Utility Advocates.

On October 11, 2016, Small Business Utility Advocates (SBUA) filed a Motion for Party Status in this proceeding.

Rule 1.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure addresses participation in Commission proceedings. Pursuant to Rule 1.4 (b), a person seeking party status by motion shall:

- (1) fully disclose the persons or entities in whose behalf the filing, appearance or motion is made, and the interest of such persons or entities in the proceeding; and
- (2) state the factual and legal contentions that the person intends to make and show that the contentions will be reasonably pertinent to the issues already presented.

Rule 1.4 (c) states that the assigned Administrative Law Judge may, where circumstances warrant, deny party status or limit the degree to which a party may participate in the proceeding.

With respect to Rule 1.4(b)(1), SBUA states that it is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission and corporate purpose is "to represent, protect, and promote the interests of small business utility customers." SBUA further states that maintaining an electricity rate structure that facilitates the success of small commercial customers, with cost effective utilities that are clean and renewable, is central to its mission.

With respect to Rule 1.4(b)(2), SBUA states that it anticipates addressing a number of issues of importance to SBUA's constituency, such as ensuring adequate customer service and outreach to small commercial customers, encouraging spending policies that promote contract opportunities for small businesses, and ensuring that human resource and other high cost areas that are ratebased and paid for by SCE's ratepayers, including small commercial customers, are reasonable.

The motion of Small Business Utility Advocates meets the requirements of Rule 1.4 (b), and is therefore granted.

THE DOCKET OFFICE SHALL FORMALLY FILE THIS RULING.

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